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THE WHITE HOUSE
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November 18, 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE:

SUBJECT: Agreed Guidance for Implementing the Presidential
Directive on Disclosures of Classified Intelligence

REFERENCE: Memorandum from the Acting Director of Central
Intelligence, to the Special Assistant to the
President for National Security Affairs, November
4, 1960, on the subject "Progress Report in the
Implementation of the Presidential Directive on
Disclosures of Classified Intelligence."

The President has noted the information set forth in the reference memorandum concerning the progress made by departments and agencies, under your guidance, in taking the actions required to implement the President's Directive of May 23, 1960, on Disclosures of Classified Intelligence.

In keeping with the provisions of the President's Directive, and in view of the continuing necessity to protect our intelligence sources and methods, the President requests that you continue to follow the action being taken by the various departments and agencies with a view to insuring that the necessary protection is afforded.



Gordon Gray
Special Assistant to the President

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Dulles:

Would you want Mr. Amory to mention this
at the USIB tomorrow?

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MEMORANDUM FOR : Special Assistant to the President for
National Security Affairs

SUBJECT : Progress Report in the Implementation of
the Presidential Directive on Disclosures
of Classified Intelligence

REFERENCE : Memorandum to the Director of Central
Intelligence from the Special Assistant to
the President, dated 11 July

1. This is to advise of the actions taken by the departments and agencies concerned to implement the President's directive of 23 May 1960 on Disclosures of Classified Intelligence as set forth in the Agreed Guidance paper of 21 June 1960.

2. The departments and agencies have directed the attention of all recipients of classified intelligence to the President's directive for the purpose of having each individual immediately take those actions within his competence to meet the intent and requirements of the directive. Each department and agency has reviewed its regulations and procedures controlling classified intelligence in accordance with provisions of the President's directive and the Agreed Guidance. This review has necessitated the expansion and refinement of the regulatory systems of certain departments and agencies.

3. There are set forth below specific actions taken by the departments and agencies concerned in implementing the President's directive.

Central Intelligence Agency

Existing regulations and procedures controlling classified intelligence have been reviewed and a new regulation issued incorporating certain provisions of the Agreed Guidance paper which were not

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specifically contained within the Agency regulatory system. This regulation assigns responsibilities as specified in the President's directive and Agreed Guidance paper and sets forth requirements for any proposed disclosure of classified intelligence, including sensitive intelligence, outside of authorized channels. The President's directive is incorporated within this regulation and has been circulated to all employees to ensure that the disclosure of classified intelligence is made only to authorized recipients and in strict accordance with the President's directive and Agency regulations.

Department of State

The President's directive and the Agreed Guidance paper have been circulated to those employees who are charged with the control, dissemination and use of classified intelligence. The existing regulations and procedures which were established to control such data within the department and the foreign service have been reviewed by the officers charged with the responsibility of control and dissemination of such data. On the basis of this review, it has been determined that the requirements of the Presidential directive and Agreed Guidance paper are adequately met.

Atomic Energy Commission

A revision of the Agreed Guidance paper has been distributed to appropriate offices within AEC Headquarters and the Field. This paper was tailored for recipients of classified intelligence exclusive of special intelligence, and requires appropriate officials to re-examine their local procedures for handling intelligence information.

Personnel cleared for special intelligence have received similar instructions regarding the President's directive with emphasis placed on the handling of special intelligence.

On the basis of the review of current practices in handling and disseminating sensitive intelligence within AEC, it has been determined that the requirements of the Presidential directive and the Agreed Guidance paper are adequately met.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

The FBI has circulated the President's directive to all recipients of classified intelligence. The Bureau has conducted a review of its regulations and procedures for the control of classified intelligence. On the basis of this review, it has been determined that the requirements of the Presidential directive and the Agreed Guidance paper are adequately met.

Joint Chiefs of Staff

Instructions which incorporate the Agreed Guidance paper have been approved by the Joint Chiefs of Staff and distributed to all concerned. In addition, the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, has directed the personal attention of the appropriate commanders and activity heads to the need for strict compliance with these instructions.

Instructions and procedures for the handling of sensitive intelligence have been reviewed and found to be in consonance with appropriate regulations and directives.

Reindoctrination of all personnel holding clearances for special intelligence is scheduled on a periodic basis.

Need-to-know has been established based upon a billet system with specific name access lists maintained. Procedures are in effect for a continuing review of the validity of the requirements for access of these personnel occupying the billets approved.

Procedures for the oral presentation or written dissemination of sensitive intelligence have been reviewed with the view to identifying sensitive intelligence when it is included with other classified information. As an example, viewgraph charts appropriately classified accompanied by verbal notices are utilized to emphasize the fact that sensitive intelligence is being presented in oral briefings or presentations.

National Security Agency

Those officials charged with responsibility for control of dissemination and use of classified intelligence have been advised of the President's directive. NSA considers existing special controls, including unique channels for the handling and distribution of NSA material, adequate designed to protect communications of intelligence and control of information about communications intelligence. The requirements of this system adequately satisfy the requirements and provisions of the President's directive and the Agreed Guidance paper.

A new lecture has been prepared solely on the subject of unauthorized disclosures and incorporated within periodic security lectures given to NSA personnel. Consultant and contractual personnel are included within the continual security education program of NSA to ensure thorough indoctrination as to security responsibility and the harm which can accrue to the national security through a lack of control of sensitive information to which they have access. NSA is currently reviewing the dissemination of material to private industry in order to improve, where possible, dissemination practices.

Department of Defense

The Office of the Secretary of Defense and the Departments of the Army, Navy, and Air Force have reviewed in detail their current regulations and procedures for the protection of classified intelligence to ensure their adherence to the principles of the Presidential directive. This review has resulted in a re-examination of the need-to-know for the sensitive categories of intelligence and in a considerable reduction in the number of personnel with access to this intelligence. It was determined that existing regulations do cover the principles of the directive. However, to emphasize the serious effects of unauthorized disclosures of classified intelligence and to ensure uniform implementation of the existing regulations, a joint regulation based on the Agreed Guidance was prepared and subsequently coordinated among the Services by the Army acting for the Department of Defense. This regulation will be distributed as soon as possible throughout the Department of Defense and the three military Services.

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4. I can assure you that appropriate steps have been taken by the departments and agencies concerned to effect the implementation of the President's directive.

SIGNED

C. P. CABELL
General, USAF
Acting Director

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Remarks:

As you recall, this progress report to Mr. Gray was approved by the Board on 18 October. However, Gen. Lansdale asked that it not be transmitted until the Department of Defense had actually approved the regulation so that the memorandum could refer to action that had been taken--not something that still remained to be done. Yesterday we were advised that all internal clearances had been completed in Defense and Gen. Erskine's office concurred in the revision of the last two sentences on page 4 to reflect that fact.

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